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**REPLY TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
 UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES  
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Sir:

This is a reply to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated July 6, 2006. The time set for a reply to the Notification of Missing Requirements expired on September 6, 2006. A two-month extension of time is hereby requested. With the expected granting of the request for

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extension of time, the period for responding to the Notice is now November 6, 2006, and this reply is timely filed.

Enclosed herewith are the following:

1. Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US); and
2. A declaration and power of attorney for the above-identified application duly executed by the inventor(s).

Authorization is hereby given to charge the following fees to Deposit Account No. 11-0171: the \$130.00 surcharge for the late filing of the oath or declaration and the \$450.00 fee for the two month extension of time.

If there are any questions or comments relating to this request, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact Applicant's attorney at the telephone number set forth below.

If any additional fees are due, or an overpayment has been made, please charge, or credit, our Deposit Account No. 11-0171 for such sum.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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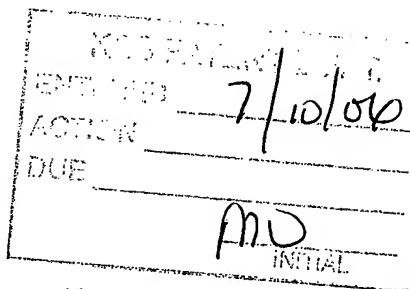
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/27/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/27/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 12/27/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/27/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/27/2005
- Specification filed on 12/27/2005
- Claims filed on 12/27/2005
- Abstracts filed on 12/27/2005
- Drawings filed on 12/27/2005



The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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